

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An air conditioning monitoring and control system, comprising:
 - an air conditioner;
 - a first air conditioning monitoring and control device communicating with the air conditioner using a first communication protocol, the first air conditioning monitoring and control device [[and]] including
 - a first monitoring and control program and
 - a second monitoring and control program being configured to monitor and/or to control the air conditioner,
 - the first monitoring and control program being configured to perform at least one type of control with respect to the air conditioner;
 - a second air conditioning monitoring and control device communicating with the air conditioner using the first communication protocol, the second air conditioning monitoring and control device [[and]] including
 - a program having the same features as the first monitoring and control program, [[and]]
 - a third monitoring and control program being configured to monitor and/or to control the air conditioner, and

a communication protocol conversion unit being capable of converting between the first communication protocol and a second communication protocol;

a first monitoring panel built into or connected via a first communication line to the first air conditioning monitoring and control device to monitor the air conditioner, the first monitoring panel being configured to communicate with the first air conditioning monitoring and control device using the first communication protocol; and

a second monitoring panel built into or connected via a second communication line to the second air conditioning monitoring and control device to monitor the air conditioner, the second communication line being separate from the first communication line and separately connecting to the second air conditioning monitoring and control device, the second monitoring panel being configured to communicate with the second air conditioning monitoring and control device using the second communication protocol,

~~the first air conditioning monitoring and control device communicate with the air conditioner using a first communication protocol;~~

~~the second air conditioning monitoring and control device further includes a communication protocol conversion unit capable of converting between the first communication protocol and a second communication protocol;~~

~~the first monitoring panel is configured to communicate with the first air conditioning monitoring and control device using the first communication protocol, and~~

~~the second monitoring panel is configured to communicate with the second air conditioning monitoring and control device using the second communication protocol;~~

at least one of the first air conditioning monitoring and control device and the second air conditioning monitoring and control device having a control selection program that allows a selection to enable or to disable the one type of control, or each of the at least two types of control where the first monitoring and control program is configured to perform two or more types of control.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) The air conditioning monitoring and control system according to claim [[3]]1, wherein

the first communication protocol is a manufacturer-private protocol, and
the second communication protocol is an open protocol.

5. (Previously Presented) The air conditioning monitoring and control system according to claim 1, wherein

the first and second air conditioning monitoring and control devices are connected to the air conditioner via the same communication line.

6.-13. (Canceled).

14. (Previously Presented) The air conditioning monitoring and control system according to claim 4, wherein
the first and second air conditioning monitoring and control devices are connected to the air conditioner via the same communication line.

15.-20. (Canceled).

21. (Previously Presented) The air conditioning monitoring and control system according to claim 5, wherein
each of the first and second air conditioning monitoring and control devices is directly connected to the air conditioner via the same communication line.

22. (Previously Presented) The air conditioning monitoring and control system according to claim 1, wherein
the second monitoring and control program is unique to the first air conditioning monitoring and control device, and the third monitoring and control program is unique to the second air conditioning monitoring and control device.